APPENDIX A

PROPOSED COUNT:

A computer mouse for use with a computer, the computer running network browser software for visiting network addresses, said mouse having:

a housing; and

at least one user depressible surface exposed on said housing for communicating a first command signal to the computer,

said first command signal being dedicated to moving the network browser software backward to a previously visited network address,

whereby depression of said user depressible surface causes the network browser software to move backward to a previously visited network address without a requirement of a pointer controlled by said mouse having to be located on a browser software back button;

- OR -

a computer mouse for use with a computer, the computer running network browser software for visiting network addresses, said mouse having:

a housing; and

at least one user depressible surface exposed on the housing for communicating a first command signal to the computer,

the first command signal associated with a paging back function of the network browser software,

whereby depression of the user depressible surface causes the network browser software to page backward without having to place the cursor over a browser back button of the network browser software;

- OR -

an improved computer mouse of the type including a housing,

electrical power source means for powering electronic circuitry,

said electronic circuitry located within said housing,

pointer control means coupled to said electronic circuitry for allowing user control of a pointer on a computer monitor,

said electronic circuitry coupled to communication means for communicating output control signals from said electronic circuitry to a computer,

a plurality of finger depressible buttons exposed on said housing and interfacing with sensors electrically connected with said electronic circuitry for allowing user selection of output control signals communicated to a computer;

wherein the improvement comprises:

at least one of said buttons being a back button, depression of said back button causes reception of a back control signal by network browsing software initiating said software to display a previously viewed network address,

said network browsing software recognizing said back control signal without a requirement of the pointer being located on the software back button displayed on the monitor;

- OR -

in a computer mouse including a housing,

an electrical power source for powering electronic circuitry,

the electronic circuitry located within the housing,

a mouse cursor position control arrangement coupled to the electronic circuitry for allowing a user to control the mouse cursor position on a computer monitor,

the electronic circuitry in communication with devices for communicating output control signals from the electronic circuitry to a computer,

a plurality of finger-depressible buttons exposed on the housing and interfacing with switches, the switches electrically coupled with the electronic circuitry for allowing user selection of output control signals communicated to a computer;

wherein:

at least one of the buttons associated with a page-back function, depression of the at least one button causes network browsing software to receive a page-back message that initiates a page-back function executed by the network browsing software,

the network browsing software receiving the page- back message without requiring the mouse cursor to be located on a back button of the network browsing software displayed on the monitor;

- OR -

an improved method of using a computer mouse,

said mouse having cursor control means for describing a cursor position on a display, and user activatable buttons,

wherein the improved use of said computer mouse includes the step of activating one of the buttons to send a back signal, regardless of the cursor position on the display, to network navigating software for displaying a previously visited address;

- OR -

a method of using a computer mouse,

the mouse having a cursor position control arrangement for defining cursor position on a display, and user activatable buttons,

wherein the method includes:

activating one of the buttons to send a page-back signal,

regardless of the cursor position on the display, to network browsing software for execution of a page-back function;

- OR -

an improved method of browsing or navigating a network using a computer mouse,

said mouse having cursor control means for describing a cursor position on a display, and user depressible buttons,

wherein the improved method includes the step of depressing one of the buttons to send a signal,

regardless of the cursor position on the display, to network browsing or navigating software for commanding display of a previously visited address;

- OR -

a method of browsing or navigating a network using a computer mouse,

the mouse having a cursor position control arrangement for defining cursor position on a display, and user activatable buttons,

wherein the method includes: depressing one of the buttons to send a page-back signal,

regardless of cursor position on the display, to network browsing software for execution of a page-back function.